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in 1844; 96. Alfred Lewis,⁵ married Jane Vaughan, of Missouri, and had two children.

53. JAMES⁶ TOWLES (*Henry*⁶), lived in Lancaster county, Va. He married Alice Chilton of that county and had issue: Gilbert B., and H. O. Towles, of Washington, D. C.

54. REV. JOHN⁶ TOWLES' (*James*⁶), of Lancaster county, born February 21, 1813; died April 16, 1885; married Sophronia, daughter of Colonel John Chowning, of Lancaster county.

Issue: 97. Vivian; 98. Robert; 99. James (these three brothers were soldiers in the Confederate Army and were killed in battle); 100. Rosalie, died aged 14 years; 101. Ella, married ——— Poole; 102. Churchill, married and lived in Houston, Texas; 103. Dr. LeRoy, of Accokeek, Prince Georges county, Md.

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ADAMS FAMILY OF MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA.

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V. FRANCIS ADAMS (Josias Peake,⁴ Abednego,³ Francis,² Francis¹), of Alexandria, Va., and Matanzas, Cuba, merchant, born 22d July, 1792; died 1st May, 1825. About 1813 he established himself in Alexandria under the firm of Adams, Herbert & Co., and carried on an extensive shipping and commission business with Europe and the West Indies. He married, 20th December, 1814, Mary Ricketts (daughter of William and Jane Barr (Stewart) Newton, of Alexandria, and sister of Commodore John Thomas Newton, U. S. N., born in Alexandria 12th March, 1795, died in Brooklyn, N. Y., 27th February, 1869, buried at Norwich, Conn.) He served in the war of 1812 as a private in Capt. Chas. McKnight's Company 1st Regiment District of Columbia Militia; and from 1815 to 1818 was a Vestryman of "Christ Church," Alexandria. On 3rd March, 1819, he was appointed U. S. Consul at Trieste, Austria; and on 8th August, 1823, U. S. Consular Agent at Matanzas, Cuba, at which latter place he established the firm of Lattino, Adams & Stewart, and bought a coffee estate, which he named "Mount Vernon," and on which he was buried.

We are indebted to the late Mrs. Chas. W. Woolsey, of New York city (his sister-in-law), for the following sketch of him: "Mr. Francis Adams was a man of rare purity of mind and morals; of great refinement; a charming companion in social and domestic life; highly cultivated and accomplished; and all this combined with very unusual business abilities and a most winning and gentlemanly address, which made him friends of all who knew him." He left issue:

Jane Newton,⁶ born, Alexandria, Va., 15th March, 1816; died, Utica,

N. Y., 15th December, 1884; married, 15th April, 1833, James B. Goddard, of Norwich, Conn. (son of Judge Calvin Goddard), by whom she had issue:

VI. WILLIAM NEWTON, of whom hereafter.

Mary Ricketts,⁶ born, Alexandria, Va., 19th November, 1820; died ———; married, 26th June, 1850, Gardiner Greene, of Norwich, Conn. (son of Hon. Wm. Parkinson Greene), by whom she had issue.

Louisa Howland,⁶ born, New York, 21st May, 1824; died, Utica, N. Y., 10th August, 1896; married, 18th April, 1850, Arthur Moore Beardsley, of Utica, N. Y. (son of Judge Samuel Beardsley), by whom she had issue.

The following obituary notice is copied from the *Utica Observer* of 12th August, 1896:

"Another of the bright and gifted women whose social charm made our city attractive a generation ago has just gone from us.

"Mrs. Louisa Adams Beardsley was one of that group of cultivated and delightful women, who once gave to Utica socially its well-known high repute

"Born of honored Virginia ancestry, Louisa Adams was no unworthy daughter of that proud old State.

"Endowed to a rare degree with mental and personal charm, to know her once was to remember her always. Graceful, vivacious and witty, she was the centre of entertainment wherever she was found, and well-equipped were those who could keep pace with her in sparkling sally or ready repartee.

"A quick perception, a lively wit, a keen sense of the ludicrous made Mrs. Beardsley a fascinating companion, while her warm, sympathetic nature bound to her life-long friends.

"For underneath this lively exterior was the kindly, tender heart, eager to befriend and help, if help were needed. Who shall recount the daily gracious acts scattered along her path, quiet deeds of charity, spontaneous, unblazoned? They are silently recorded in many a grateful heart.

"Of firm, unshaken faith, a devoted wife, a tender mother, a true and loyal friend, henceforth she is ours only in cherished memory.

"Until the day break, and the shadows flee away."

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ESKRIDGE FAMILY.

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WITH NOTICES OF KENNER, STEPTOE, &C., FAMILIES.

Margaret,⁸ daughter of George¹ Eskridge and Hannah Ashton, mar-